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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, FEBRUARY 21, 2002

APPLICATION OF

NORTHERN VIRGINIA ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE

CASE NO. PUE020086

For review of tariffs and terms
and conditions of service

ORDER PRESCRIBING NOTICE AND INVITING
COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR HEARING

On December 29, 2000, Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative ("NOVEC" or the "Cooperative"), filed an application for State Corporation Commission ("Commission") approval of the Cooperative's plan for functional separation ("Plan") as required by the Virginia Electric Utility Restructuring Act ("the Act"), Chapter 23 of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia (§56-576 et seq.) On December 18, 2001, the Commission issued its Final Order approving NOVEC's application. Ordering paragraph three (3) of above-mentioned Final Order directed NOVEC to "provide tariffs and terms and conditions of service to the Division of Energy Regulation that conform to this Order and all applicable Commission Rules and Regulations one hundred and fifty (150) days prior to its implementation of retail choice."

On February 1, 2002, pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. three (3) of the Commission's Final Order, NOVEC filed tariffs

and terms and conditions of service with the Division of Energy Regulation in anticipation of commencing retail access in its retail service territory effective July 1, 2002. NOVEC's filings included: (1) Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative - Terms & Conditions for Providing Electric Service, including Retail Access Terms & Conditions; and (2) Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative - Competitive Service Provider Coordination Tariff, including: Competitive Service Provider Agreement, Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Trading Partner Agreement, Transmission Customer Designation Form, CSP Dispute Resolution Procedure and Aggregator Agreement.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of this matter, is of the opinion that NOVEC's application should be docketed, that notice should be given to the public, that interested parties should be given an opportunity to comment or request a hearing on the Cooperative's application, and that Staff should investigate and analyze the Cooperative's application and present its recommendations to the Commission.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUE020086.

(2) The Cooperative's application and accompanying materials may be viewed during regular business hours at the Commission's Document Control Center, Tyler Building, First

Floor, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia. Interested parties also may obtain copies by making a written request to counsel for NOVEC, John A. Pirko, Esquire, LeClair Ryan, P.C., 4201 Dominion Boulevard, Suite 200, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060.

(3) On or before February 27, 2002, NOVEC shall submit the following notice as display advertising, not classified, to be published in newspapers having general circulation throughout the Applicant's proposed service territory:

NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION OF
NORTHERN VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
FOR REVIEW OF TARIFFS
AND TERMS and CONDITIONS
CASE NO. PUE020086

On December 29, 2000, Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative ("NOVEC" or the "Cooperative"), filed an application for State Corporation Commission ("Commission") approval of the Cooperative's plan for functional separation of its electric generation, retail transmission, and distribution assets as required by § 56-590 of the Virginia Electric Utility Restructuring Act (the "Act"), Chapter 23 (§ 56 -576 et seq.) of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia, and the Commission's Regulations Governing the Functional Separation of Incumbent Electric Utilities Under the Virginia Electric Utility Restructuring Act (the "Functional Separation Rules"), 20 VAC 5-202-10 et seq., adopted in Case No. PUA000029.

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A copy of the above-referenced application is available for inspection during regular business hours at the State Corporation Commission, Document Control Center, First Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the application by making a written request to counsel for NOVEC, John A. Pirko, Esquire, LeClair Ryan, 4201 Dominion Boulevard, Suite 200, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060.

Comments on the application must be submitted in writing to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, on or before April 1, 2002. Requests for hearing also must be submitted in writing to the Clerk on or before April 1, 2002. Requests for a hearing shall state why a hearing is necessary and why

such issues cannot be adequately addressed in written comments. All correspondence shall refer to Case No. PUE020086. A copy of any comments or requests for hearing shall also be sent to counsel for NOVEC, at the address set forth above.

If no sufficient request for hearing is received, a formal hearing with oral testimony may not be held, and the Commission may make its decisions based upon the papers filed in this proceeding.

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(4) The Cooperative shall forthwith serve a copy of this Order on the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of any county, upon the Mayor or Manager of any city or town, and upon any equivalent officials in counties, cities, and towns having alternate forms of government, within the Company's service territories. Service shall be made by first-class mail or delivery to the customary place of business or residence of the person served.

(5) On or before April 1, 2002, the Cooperative shall file with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above proof of notice and service as required in Ordering Paragraphs (3) and (4) above.

(6) On or before April 1, 2002, any interested person wishing to comment on NOVEC's application, or desiring a hearing in this matter, shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies

of such written comments and requests for hearing with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above, and shall refer to Case No. PUE020086. A copy of such comments or requests for hearing shall simultaneously be sent to counsel for NOVEC, at the address set forth above. Any request for hearing shall detail reasons why such issues cannot be adequately addressed in written comments. If no sufficient request for hearing is received, a formal hearing with oral testimony may not be held, and the Commission may make its decision based upon papers filed in this proceeding.

(7) On or before April 22, 2002, the Commission Staff shall review the application and file a report with the Commission presenting its findings and recommendations.

(8) On or before May 2, 2002, the Cooperative and any interested person may file with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above any response to the Staff Report.

(9) The Cooperative shall respond to written interrogatories within seven (7) business days after receipt of same. Except as modified above, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

(10) This matter is continued generally.